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## New city hall opens in downtown Burns

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The town of Burns had a Grand Opening Ceremony for its new city hall and library on Saturday May 6. It is housed in a remodeled 100-year-old building in downtown Burns. Senator Jim Barnett was the keynote speaker; refreshments were served; and the musical group "Instant Grits" performed.

This dream was made possible through a grant from the USDA Rural Development, a grant from the Sabatini Family Foundation and through the very generous donations of many individuals. The project totaled a little over \$191,000 and was con-

structed by McCollum Construction of Augusta. The building is more than a hundred years old and has housed many of Burns' early businesses. It was the Post Office for more than 80 years.

Burns is a small, rural community at the gateway to the Flint Hills. It has a population of approximately 275 and a community of approximately 450. It is located 20 miles north of El Dorado or 10 miles south of Florence on Highway 77. It is a close-knit community that has worked very hard in the last few years to revitalize and grow. It has made great strides and is very proud of what it has accomplished. Stop in and check us out!